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SUBJECT: UGANDAN/SOMALI MILITARY COOPERATION

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1. ACCORDING TO OCTOBER ISSUE OF VOICE OF UGANDA, AMONG ITEMS DISCUSSED BY PRESIDENTS AMIN AND SIAD DURING FORMER'S OCTOBER 4 VISIT TO MOGADISCIO WAS STRENGTHENING OF ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND MILITARY RELATIONS. AMIN, IN HIS RETURN STATEMENT, APPARENTLY ELABORATED ON LATTER POINT BY SAYING THAT IN CASE OF ATTACK ON EITHER COUNTRY, THEIR QTE MILITARY MIGHT SHOULD BE COMBINED TO HIT OFF (SIC) THE ENEMY. UGANDA IS NOT THE ONLY COUNTRY WHICH WILL ASSIST SOMALIA IF IT IS INVADED BUT ANY OTHER COUNTRY COME TO SOMALI'S SIDE UNQTE.

2. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH RENDERED IN THE GENERAL'S UNIQUE
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ENGLISH, ABOVE WOULD APPEAR TO WARNING TO SOMALIA'S

NEIGHBORS THAT UGANDA WOULD ATTACK THEM IF THEY ATTACK
SOMALIA. QTE WARNING UNQTE MAY BE AIMED PRINCIPALLY
AT ETHIOPIA AND REFLECT SIAD'S NERVOUSNESS OVER POSSIBLE
ETHIOPIAN PREEMPTIVE ATTACK, BUT IT WILL ALSO
SERVE TO INCREASE KENYAN CONCERNS OVER GROWING
UGANDAN/SOMALI MILITARY COOPERATION.
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